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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (currently amended) A vehicular lamp used for a vehicle, comprising:
- a semiconductor light emitting element for generating light used for said vehicular lamp; and
- a current controlling unit for changing a current supplied to said semiconductor light emitting element based on brightness around said vehicle. vehicle

wherein said current controlling unit reduces said current, if said brightness around said vehicle is higher than a predetermined level and wherein said current controlling unit reduces said current and turns on the vehicular lamp as a positioning lamp, if said vehicle is stopped.

2.-3. (canceled)

- 4. (new) A vehicular lamp as claimed in claim 1, wherein said semiconductor light emitting element is commonly used for a headlamp and said positioning lamp.
- 5. (new) A vehicular lamp as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a plurality of said semiconductor light emitting elements and wherein said semiconductor light emitting elements are commonly used for a headlamp and said positioning lamp.
- 6. (new) A vehicular lamp as claimed in claim 1, wherein said current controlling unit turns on said vehicular lamp so that said positioning lamp generates a weaker light than the light of said vehicular lamp.

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7. (new) A vehicular lamp claimed in claim 5, wherein said current controlling unit turns on said vehicular lamp so that said positioning lamp generates a weaker light than the light of said headlamp.

8. (new) A vehicular lamp used for a vehicle, comprising:

a plurality of semiconductor light emitting elements for generating light used for said vehicular lamp; and

a current controlling unit for changing a current supplied to said semiconductor light emitting elements based on brightness around said vehicle;

wherein said current controlling unit selects a part of said plurality of semiconductor light emitting elements and blocks said current flowing through said selected part of said plurality of said semiconductor light emitting elements, if said brightness around said vehicle is higher than a predetermined level.

9. (new) A vehicular lamp as claimed in claim 8, further comprising a headlamp and a positioning lamp, wherein said part of said plurality of semiconductor light emitting elements is used for generating light for said headlamp and another part of said plurality of semiconductor light emitting elements is used for said positioning lamp.